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NOTICE.

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MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 13, 1881. 13au82

AUCTIONS.

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The Undersigned has been instructed to offer FOR SALE by PUBLIC AUCTION on the Premises, on

SATURDAY,

the 31st December, 1881, at 3 p.m.,—Subject to a Mortgage dated the 25th day of February, 1881, for securing the Repayment of \$12,000 with Interest thereon at 5% per centum per annum.

ALL THAT VALUABLE PIECE OR PARCEL OF GROUND

Abutting on the North side thereof, on other Portion of the said Lot at the Centre of a Party Wall, and measuring thereon 47 feet and 8 inches on the South side thereof, on the Queen's Road West, and measuring thereon 50 feet and 9 inches on the East side thereof, on the other Portion of the said Lot at the Centre of a Party Wall, and measuring thereon 40 feet and 8 inches and on the West side thereof, on other Portion of the said Lot at the Centre of a Party Wall, and measuring thereon 52 feet and 7 inches registered in the Land Office as SECTION 2 of SECTION D. of MARINE LOT, No. 69, with the BUILDINGS thereon, known as Nos. 57, 59, 91 & 93, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, and No. 1, TAUPO SAU, WEST STREET, including a free right of passage over the private thoroughfare known as "Sai Lane" (Tau Po Sau, West Street). The Promises are held from the Crown for the Residue of the term of 999 years, at the apportioned Yearly Crown Rent and of \$45.16.

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Hongkong, December 20, 1881. de31

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE:

The British Barque "SPIRIT OF THE AGE," of 247 Tons Register or 8,500 Pounds carrying Capacity, built of English Oak and Teak, copper-fastened throughout, remodeled in February 1880, Masts and Spars nearly all new and general outfit in good condition, as she now lies in this Port.

For particulars, apply to the CAPTAIN on board, or to

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Hongkong, December 27, 1881. ff

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FASHIONABLE CARPETS FOR SALE,

NICELY ARRIVED.

The Undersigned has always on Hand

CITY HALL.

VIII.—At all Entertainments at the City Hall until December 31st, 1881, Chairs and Vehicles must set down from the East side and take up from the West.

IX.—All empty Chairs and Vehicles will be arranged by the Police in two lines, Public Chairs down Queen's Road and Private Chairs down Wardley Street, and must only come to the doors of the City Hall in turn.

X.—Passengers along the Streets, and Chairs will keep to the left hand side of the Streets and Roads in the direction in which they are proceeding.

XI.—Queen's Road two-Chairs will be allowed to be carried abreast of each other. In other Streets they must be carried in single line.

XII.—The Police will be directed to keep the crowd moving.

XIII.—Passes will be required after 2 A.M.

W. M. DEANE,

Superintendent of Police.

Hongkong, December 21, 1881.

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Hongkong, December 10, 1881. ja10

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Case of 1 dozen Quarts.....\$12.

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Hongkong, July 22, 1881.

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Hongkong, June 15, 1881.

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HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE CHINA MAIL

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through the breaking down of her machinery. At the request of the Captain of the Bengal, the Suez assented her to Singapore, where it was agreed that the question of damages should be settled by arbitration, and the Hon. James Graham, Mr. James Graham, and Mr. James Sword were nominated arbitrators. Mr. Thomas Scott was appointed Umpire, and the arbitrators failing to agree, he decided that the owners of the Bengal should pay to those of the Suez, \$1500, and that the cost of reference, including arbitrators' and Umpire's fees, in all \$88, should also be borne by the Bengal.

A somewhat remarkable paragraph is accredited to the *Hindoo Patriot*. It seems that a "female prisoner at Russa had gone to a tank within the goal compound, slipped her foot and was drowned; another female prisoner went to her rescue, and she too was drowned; a third prisoner made like attempt and shared the same fate. A female warden, seeing this disaster, plunged into the water, and as she was a skilful swimmer, she managed to drag all three to the land and thus saved their lives."

This is the kind of a person to have around when one gets drowned. It would save much sorrow and funeral expenses. As a "rescue" at a bathing place she would be a pearl beyond price. The timid bathers could then venture without fear beyond his depth and get drowned with an easy mind, knowing that as soon as he got pulled ashore he would be a "live man" again. The heroism of this remarkable woman was brought to the notice of the Lieutenant-Governor, who it is said has remitted part of her sentence, she (although a warden) being a convict.

The date of departure of the *Bacchante* and *Cleopatra* has now been fixed, we learn, for Saturday next, the 31st instant. The *Cleopatra*, as we have already stated, will only convoy the Princess as far as Suez, whence she will return to join the China Squadron, while the *Bacchante* will call at the various Mediterranean ports, including, we believe, the Coast of Syria, where the Princess will have an opportunity of visiting several places of interest in the Holy Land. During the course of the next few months it is expected that their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales will pay a visit to the King of Greece, when they will probably meet the Royal Midshipmen. The *Bacchante* will accompany the Royal party to Brindisi, and it is just possible that Prince Albert Victor may then leave the ship and return to England with his parents. The remaining ships of the Detached Squadron are timed to leave Hongkong on the 13th. proximo, and by instructions received from the Admiralty, should arrive in Plymouth by the 30th June next.

The nationality of the British North Borneo Company has been clearly defined in the charter granted to the Company, and this fact, while it seems to have given unnecessary alarm to our Dutch and Spanish neighbours, will be most approvingly recognised by all English people here and elsewhere. The British character of the Company is guaranteed by the following clause:—

3. The Company shall always be and remain British in character and domicile, and shall have its principal office in England, and all the members of its Court of Directors or other governing body and its principal representative in Borneo shall always be natural-born British subjects or persons who have been naturalised as British subjects by or under an Act of the Parliament of Our United Kingdom.

The names of the Directors of the Association to which Charter is now granted are—Mr Alfred Dent, merchant; Sir Rutherford Alcock, K.C.B.; Mr. Richard Biddulph Martin, M.P., banker; Rear-Admiral Richard Charles Mayne, C.B.; and Mr. William Henry Macled Read, merchant.

His Excellency the Governor has announced his intention of being present, and amongst other distinguished guests will be the Lieutenant-General Commanding the Troops; the Vice-Admiral, Commander-in-Chief of the China Squadron; the French Admiral, Commander-in-Chief on the China Station; and other English and Foreign Naval and Military Officers.

The Ball being a representative Ball given by the community, is open to all subscribers, and one subscription entitles all the lady members of any family to be present.

No invitations are issued except to the Officers of the Fleet, the Officers of the Garrison, and Foreign Official Consuls in Hongkong, Canton, and Macao, together with temporary visitors to Hongkong.

His Excellency the Governor has been invited to present to the Queen, and it may be said that the instructions he conveyed fairly indicate what would be the policy of the English Government in any action taken in Hongkong on this knotty subject. Clause 7 reads thus:—

The Company shall to the best of its power discharge, and, as far as may be practicable, abolish by degrees any system of domestic servitude existing among the tribes of the coast or interior of Borneo; and no European, whether European, Chinese, or Indian, shall be allowed to own slaves of any kind in the Company's territories.

It is worthy of note that the power is reserved to the Secretary of State to dissent or object to any action of the Company towards the natives of Borneo; and provision is otherwise made for the administration of the Company's territory, in accordance with the instructions of the Secretary of State; or by an Order in Council granting judicial powers. This probably explains the rumours which some time ago gained currency, that the administration of the Island of Labuan might be transferred to the Foreign Office. As to trade, the clause

prohibiting monopolies is deserving of special notice. It is as follows:—

Nothing in this Our Charter shall be deemed to authorise the Company to set up or grant any general monopoly of trade; and, subject only to the restrictions imposed for revenue purposes, and to the restrictions on importation similar in character to those applicable in Our United Kingdom, trade with the Company's territories shall be free.

The London *China Express* has been informed that the rumour that Li-Chao-yang, General Manager of the Foochow Arsenal, was to succeed the Marques Tsang as Chinese Minister to England, and France is substantially correct. According to the same authority the Sir Harry Parkes, H.B.M.'s Minister in Japan, has been postponed until the 9th prox. Mr T. May has been appointed a Cadet for Hongkong. H.M.S. *Lapwing*, homeward bound from the China Station, left Simon's Bay on the 20th ult.

The following passengers were booked by outward steamers, according to last mail's advice:—

For Hongkong—Mr Weston, from Venice, Nov. 18; Mr W. E. Thurgood, from Gravesend, Nov. 23; Mr J. G. T. Durrant, Nov. 30; Mrs. F. and Miss Durrant, Dec. 7. From Marseilles, Nov. 27, Mr Brae-Rothestein.

For Shanghai—Rev. A. and Mrs Westwater, Dr A. D. and Mrs Westwater, from Venice, Dec. 16. From Marseilles, Nov. 27, Mr Anderson; Dec. 25, Mr Taggart.

For Yokohama—Nov. 23, Mrs Hughes and child; Nov. 30, Dr Milligan. From Marseilles, Dec. 11. Sir Harry and the Misses Parker (2), Mr and Mrs Hepburn, Baron von Siedel. Por Aja, Nov. 11, Miss S. A. Stanley.

London and China Express, Nov. 18.—

According to reports from Vienna, it seems likely that there will not be a serious "cutting" of the rates of freight from Trieste to the East, consequent on the competition of the Austro-Hungarian Lloyds and the P. & O. Companies. As announced some time ago, the latter company have started a line from Trieste. The quotation for the shares of the Austro-Hungarian Lloyds has, however, recently advanced rapidly, and this is attributed partly to the belief that an agreement for a common schedule of rates between the two companies is very near completion. This rate is also attributed to a "corner" in the shares, and finally to the circumstance that the autumn traffic is proving very good. The estimates of the probable dividend are being increased in consequence. This is one of several striking indications of the improvement of trade in Austria-Hungary.

Captain Lord Walter T. Kerr has been appointed to the *Pembroke*, in succession to Captain W. H. Hunt-Grubbe, C.B. Captain Lord Kerr served in the Baltic expeditions of 1854-55, being awarded the Baltic medal; also through the Indian Mutiny, and was present at the siege and capture of Lucknow, being awarded the Indian medal with Lucknow clasp. Captain C. F. Hotham, who has been appointed to the *Alexandra*, in succession to Lord Walter Kerr, served in New Zealand in 1863, being favourably noted at the Admiralty for his gallantry, and awarded the New Zealand medal. Captain F. M. Pratten, who has been appointed to the *Beaufort*, in succession to Captain the Hon. W. C. Carpenter, served as lieutenant during the Russian war in the Baltic in 1855 (Baltic medal). Staff-Commander John Palmer, who has been appointed to the *Duke of Wellington*, additional for the *Viceroy*, in command, served as second master of the *Hogue* in the Baltic, 1854-55 (Baltic medal); was present at the capture of Bonnarus as master of the *Taranto*; reconnocited and sounded at Simonsaki, Japan, and took part in the attack and capture of the batteries on the 24th, 25th, and 26th September, 1864, being mentioned in despatches. Commander G. T. H. Boyes has been appointed to the *Achilles*. He was endet in the *Royal Albert* and the *Agamemnon* in the Black Sea in 1855; was present at the siege of Sebastopol, the expedition to Kerch and Youkal, and the attack and capture of Kertch in Crimean and Turkish medals and Sebastopol clasp.

PUBLIC SUBSCRIPTION BALL TO THE OFFICERS OF THE DETACHED SQUADRON.

We are requested by the Hon. Secretary to the Reception Committee to state that as already announced the Public Subscription Ball to the Officers of the Detached Squadron will be held in the City Hall on Friday, the 30th December, at 9 p.m.

His Excellency the Governor has announced his intention of being present, and amongst other distinguished guests will be the Lieutenant-General Commanding the Troops; the Vice-Admiral, Commander-in-Chief of the China Squadron; the French Admiral, Commander-in-Chief on the China Station; and other English and Foreign Naval and Military Officers.

The Ball being a representative Ball given by the community, is open to all subscribers, and one subscription entitles all the lady members of any family to be present.

ASSESSMENT FOR ROGUE AND VAGABOND.

Lau Cheung, was charged with being a rogue and vagabond.

Chen Ating apprehended defendant this morning on the Praya, and when asked what he was doing gave an unsatisfactory answer. Defendant stated in his defence that he was employed as a boatman on a cargo boat, and this statement was attested by his employer, who said defendant had been in his service over a month, and had come direct from his native place to work for him.

Prisoner was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment with hard labour.

CUTTING AND WOUNDING.

Cheung Ahia was this morning fined \$5, or in default seven days' imprisonment with hard labour, for cutting and wounding Chan Asu on the 1st Nov. Sentence had been delayed until a medical certificate of Chan Asu's discharge was obtained, which was given this morning.

(Before Frederick Steart, Esq.)

ASSAULT.

Wong Ashing was charged on remand from the 19th inst., with assaulting Lai Ashing, hawk, and also damaging property to the value of \$12.

Lai Ashing, hawk, said while walking in Queen's Road, Central, along with Ip Afuk, defendant accused his companion and asked for the loan of \$3. On being refused this sum the defendant and five other men commenced to beat witness and Ip Afuk with iron bars. Witness was struck on the head by defendant, causing a serious wound. He was then taken to the Civil Hospital where he had remained until this morning.

Witness in answer to defendant said he had never picked his pocket, and did not throw the iron bar in court at the defendant.

Ip Afuk said he came here a month ago to a visit to last witness and had brought sufficient money with him from Canton to support himself. He gave similar evidence to that of the previous witness.

Defendant said that the second witness had tried to pick his pocket but failed. He knew both witnesses as pickpockets.

His Worship, in sentencing prisoner to fourteen days' imprisonment with hard labour, remarked that on the evidence adduced he could hardly have convicted him to prison, but after his own statement he had no doubt that prisoner had used the knife to strike the complainant, and the use of those bars must be put down, they being almost as dangerous as knives were.

PRACTICE ON THE HIGH SEAS.

Wong Afuk and 5 others were again brought up this morning on remand charged with 4 cases of robbery. Several new witnesses were examined, among them Li Ching, who gave evidence

CRICKET.

The match between the Visitors and the Hongkong Club was resumed this forenoon. The weather was again fine. The weather was opened by the not out of the previous day—Nowington and Parr—who played steadily and well until a ball from Forbes disposed of Commander Parr. The two last men did not much, and Nowington carried out his bat for a well played 32.

Hongkong opened with a very big score to

put up. It was soon evident that their chance of doing this was of the slightest. Wicket after wicket went down without much opposition before the tantalising twisters of Walker. Lieut. Charley managed to get 11 together, but he also had to give in to Walker, and until the advent of Hynes scores of the lowest kind were the order of the day. The Secretary played a very steady game and good cricket. Ultimately the alert hands of Lieut. Hedley did for him, and Stibbing who had seen the fall of many during the getting of his outnings and well played 8, was left alone. The Club was thus beaten by 168 runs, and much of this was due to the deadly bowing of Walker and the smartness of Hedley behind the wickets. The fielding of the visitors was good all through, and was slightly superior to that of the Hongkong team. A large attendance of spectators were present and amongst them we observed Lady Hennings and party.

Along took a photograph of the cricketers at the conclusion of the match.

The band of the Royal Engineers

players played selections throughout the afternoon.

VISITORS.

Second Innings.

Lord Harris, c Stibbing, b Travers,..... 11
Lieut. Bishop, c Forches, b Travers,..... 3
H. Brown, b Travers,..... 0
Lieut. Hodley, b Travers,..... 10
L. D. Walker, c St. Croix, b Irving,..... 10
Lord Zouch, run out,..... 10
H. H. Darby, b Walker,..... 2
Lieut. Moore, c Stibbing, b Charley,..... 12
Com. Parr, c St. Croix, b Walker,..... 22
Lieut. Nowington, r.m.l.l., not out,..... 32
W. H. Windham, c Whyley, b Charley,..... 1
J. H. Bullock, c Whyley,..... 25
Extras,..... 25

Total,..... 177

HONGKONG CLUB.

Second Innings.

H. de C. Forbes, c Hilliard, b Walker,..... 4
J. Bell Irving, c Hilliard,..... 9
W. de St. Croix, c Hilliard, b Walker,..... 9
Lieut. Mayne, r.m.l.l., b Walker,..... 1
Lieut. Charley, r.m.l.l., c Bullock, b Walker,..... 11
Rev. F. C. Stibbing, not out,..... 8
H. Whyley, hit wicket, b Walker,..... 3
K. Travers, c Harris, b Walker,..... 6
S. Newcombe, b Walker,..... 18
W. H. Darby, b Walker,..... 18
A. P. McEachan, run out,..... 1
W. Hynes, st. Hodley, b Walker,..... 18
Extras,..... 1

Total,..... 61

Law Notice:

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

(Before the Hon. Francis Shudder, Acting Chief Justice.)

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.—Thursday, 29th Dec., 10 a.m.—Suit 20.—J. J. da Quirina v. Pitman, hearing.

Police Intelligence.

(Before H. E. Weddhouse, Esq.)

Wednesday, Dec. 28.

THEFT OF A SPADE.

Chak Ashing was charged with unlawfully possession of a spade on the 27th inst.

Mitt. Singh, P. C. 504, saw defendant yesterday afternoon in Hollywood Road carrying a spade, but on observing the constable that defendant suddenly dropped it. The P. C. then apprehended him. The spade in court he identified as that which defendant had dropped.

Geo. Honeyess, P. C. 6, said he was in the charge room when defendant was brought there, and who stated that some men, whom he did not know, had broken into the wood.

Fined \$0 or one month's imprisonment.

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THE CHINESE MAIL

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